

### LOCAL ITEMS

Fourth of July Sunday next.

The drought has made a shortage of garden stuff.

Mr. J. F. Ruddy spent Monday last in St. Louis.

Mr. Jas. W. Andes of Belgrade was in our town Saturday.

A shower early this morning, with more rain threatening.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Carr of Potom, June 30th, a son.

The primary election is drawing near. One month from Saturday.

Attorney F. S. Terry of Festus was in our town on business last Friday.

Judge Geo. E. Brockbridge of Belgrade was a Potom visitor Friday.

A few cantaloupes were on the market here last week, selling at 20 cents apiece.

The Annual Methodist Assembly will open at Arcadia on July 6th and last until July 25th.

Miss Georgia Reville of St. Louis is visiting here at the home of her uncle, Mr. H. L. Smith.

Our neighbor Bro. Sparks has adorned his building with a new, double-deck front porch.

Mrs. Robert Hall of Cadet neighborhood was a Potom visitor Thursday and a caller at this office.

Mr. J. E. Ellis of Caledonia was in Potom Tuesday on an electioneering tour of this part of the county.

The Washington County Bank is issuing a neat little metal savings bank in replica of the Liberty Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Eye of St. Louis visited at the home of the former's parents, Judge and Mrs. S. V. Eye, of Shirley, the past week.

Miss Frances W. Casey, who has been engaged in educational work in South Dakota the past year, has returned home here for the summer.

Mrs. J. M. Simpson has returned to Potom after an absence of several months, and is with her daughter, Mrs. Foster, in the east end of town.

Congressman M. E. Rhodes returned home Wednesday evening from Washington. Mrs. Rhodes remained in St. Louis, where she is visiting relatives.

Mr. Marsh, superintendent of the St. Joseph Lead Co.'s smelters at Hercules, and wife, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Bell Sunday last.

Mrs. J. M. Hedgen and daughter, Miss Helen, returned home from Columbia, Mo., last week, where Miss Helen has been attending the University of Missouri.

The state road graders have been at work in the east end of town the past week, and with the auto pulverizing the loose soil the dust nuisance out that way is scandalous.

Mrs. P. G. Higgingsbotham of Fertile is attending the Democratic National Convention at San Francisco this week, as alternate delegate from this congressional district.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Fisher of Farmington celebrated the golden anniversary of their marriage June 25th. Mr. Fisher was for many years editor of the Farmington Times.

Miss Minnie January, who was one of the teachers in our public school last year, has been employed as teacher of history and common subjects in the Ironton school the coming year.

At the commencement of the Ursuline Academy at Arcadia recently Miss Lillian Catherine Harris of Richwoods was awarded the laurel crown and diploma for virtue and learning.

Rev. W. E. Judy left for Arcadia Tuesday, where he will be camp director on the Methodist Assembly grounds for the next three weeks. He will be home for his regular Sunday services however.

The threshermen will be starting on his rounds in a few days. Messrs. Hackett & Nicholson of Miller's Branch received a fine new Belleville threshing outfit last week and will cover the territory with it operated over in previous years by Lewis Bean of Latty.

Katherine Brunton thought she had found a savage on that lonely island, but discovered that the castaway possessed a remarkable though undeveloped mind. See the "Island of Regeneration" at the Deleo Theatre, Wednesday, July 14. Matinee at 2 o'clock; two shows at night, 7:30 and 9.

Verily, the H. C. L. paroush one even unto the woods these days and knocketh all the joy out of a vacation outing. 'Tis said that three of our citizens who hid themselves in the sylvan retreats of Maest Creek in the western part of the county last week for a couple of days' fishing and squirrel shooting, ran up against an expense bill of \$45, or \$15 each.

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In the years of primitive existence alone on an island far from ship lanes, young Chernock had forgotten all the language learned in childhood, except the lines of a simple, childhood prayer, learned at his mother's knee. See the "Island of Regeneration" at the Deleo Theatre Wednesday, July 14. Special attention shown to ladies and children at our matinee at 2 o'clock. Two shows at night, 7:30 and 9 o'clock.

We learn that the young son of A. E. Stokking of De Soto, an official of the Missouri Barytes Co. of Potom, was killed in an automobile accident at Los Angeles, Cal., one day last week. The body is being brought home for burial. The boy, who was 10 or 12 years of age, was visiting his grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Stokking, of Richwoods, who have been sojourning in Los Angeles for some time. We extend the family our sympathy in its great loss.

Col. Dwight F. Davis of St. Louis, one of the candidates for the republican nomination for United States Senator, was in Potom last Friday afternoon, but arrived too late to keep the speaking appointment that had been advertised for him here on that day. Col. Davis, who is making his campaign tour by automobile, came to Potom from Steelville, but the poor going between the two towns delayed him on the road. The Colonel made a very good impression here on all who had the pleasure of meeting him.

By deeds filed for record on June 23 the county secures a new right of way on the Potom and Berryman road in Walton Township from eleven resident property owners along the route, viz: T. V. Allee, Steve Cresswell, J. T. Hudson, James Huett, Frank Halbert, J. A. Mayhew, Theodore Roussin, James Wilson, W. P. Cole, C. N. Banta and W. P. Matthews. In each case these grants were obtained at the nominal cost of one dollar. Walton Township has voted \$12,000 for road improvement and the new right of way was laid out in pursuance of the work.

Read It.

In lieu of our regular editorial matter we are this week giving an article from Harvey's Weekly, "Mr. Wilson and Congress." Anyone who is willing to face the truth concerning the conduct of the President and his underlings, cannot but be influenced by the facts set out in this article. Read it through.

Congressman Rhodes Was on the Job All the Time

G. M. Raines arrived home last Friday from Washington, D. C., where he has been the past several months, serving as postmaster in the House of Representatives. He tells us that Congressman M. E. Rhodes of this district was one of the most industrious members of Congress, being constantly at his post of duty, except when called home account of the critical illness and death of his mother, giving prompt and careful attention to the interests of the people of this great district, both in the consideration of matters coming before Congress and the stream of requests for personal service coming from his constituents.—Farmington News.

Deaths.

MRS. HARRY GUYTON.

Mrs. Harry Guyton, formerly Miss Fanny Smith of Potom, died at her home in East St. Louis Tuesday morning, June 25th, aged 32 years. The body will be brought here for burial to day (Wednesday). The funeral will be held this afternoon. Besides her husband, Mrs. Guyton is survived by a son, James Henry; also by her father, Mr. Jas. L. Smith of Potom; three sisters, Mrs. J. M. Sloan and Mrs. G. H. Higginbotham, also of Potom, and Mrs. Geo. W. Clarkson of St. Louis; and a brother, Percy Smith of Seattle, Wash. We tender the family our deepest sympathy.

MRS. PAULINE THOMAS BARTON.

Mrs. Pauline Thomas Barton, who had made her home for a number of years with her uncle, Mr. James O'Donnell, two miles west of Potom, died there last Thursday, June 24th, of tuberculosis. The funeral was held Friday afternoon, Rev. Father Canning conducting the services at St. James Church, and the body was laid to rest in the Catholic cemetery. Mrs. Barton was a widow, 28 years of age, and a daughter of John N. Thomas, now of St. Louis, but who a good many years ago was railroad station agent in Potom. The funeral was attended by Mr. Thomas, Robert Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Butler, of St. Louis, and Miss Marguerite Thomas, of Topeka, Kan.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, July 4th.

Morning worship at 11 o'clock. The service will be in keeping with the 154th anniversary of our National Birthday. Sermon subject, "Christian Patriotism." Special instrumental and vocal music. Union service at 8 p. m. Sermon by Presbyterian minister. Tenor saxophone solo will be played at this hour. Other special music.

A cordial invitation to attend these services is extended to everybody.

J. E. Duggendorf, Minister.

Peoria.

Fine haying weather.

Miss Mary Vineyard visited at the home of J. B. Vineyard near Belgrade last week.

Miss Lola Kirkpatrick spent Sunday at the home of Miss Inez Dickey.

Mrs. Herman Scott of Enough is visiting her mother, Mrs. P. B. McMurtry, here.

We are sorry to report the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Ditty. She was an old and esteemed friend of all in this community. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

A. E. Vineyard is spending the week in St. Louis.

Misses Laura Dickey and Edith and Edith Gidderth spent Sunday last at

Bellevue.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dickey of Sunlight spent Sunday here at the home of their daughter, Mrs. E. E. Neely.

Mrs. Addie Maxwell spent Sunday with Grandma Vineyard on Jan's Creek.

Wheat cutting is finished.

Mr. and Mrs. James Foster of Charleston are visiting Mr. Wm Foster here, who has been sick for some time.

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### O. B. PRICE

#### The Produce Man

Will Buy Your

Poultry Rags Brass  
Eggs Roots Lead  
Hides Rubber Copper

#### He Pays Cash

### OLD MINES PICNIC

#### Saturday, July 3d

The Annual Fourth of July Picnic will take place this year on Saturday, July 3d. The usual booths and amusements on the grounds. Dinner and supper will be served by the ladies of the Parish.

#### COMMITTEE.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Joseph H. Decline, Cadet, Mo.  
Lizzie M. Courtis, " "  
Sam Najim, Mineral Point, " "  
Mrs. Della Trokey, " "

#### And Bill Was Right.

Once I was young, now I am old, and I have never seen a girl that was unfaithful to her mother that ever came to be worth a one-eyed button to her husband. It is the law of God. It isn't exactly in the Bible, but it is written large in the miserable lives of many unfortunate homes. I am speaking for the boys. If any of you chaps ever come across a girl that with a face full of roses says as you come to the door, "I can't go for 30 minutes yet, for the dishes are not washed," you wait for the girl. You sit right down on the doorstep and wait for her, because some other fellow may come along and carry her off, and right there you lose an angel.—Bill Asp.

### A Freakish Lightning

#### Stroke at Greenville.

The Greenville Sun says: During a thunderstorm about 7 o'clock last Monday evening a bolt of lightning struck a tree in W. T. Bollinger's yard, and a telephone wire leading to the house was so completely consumed that not the slightest trace of it was left. A place on the side of the house under the roof of the porch about a foot wide and seven or eight feet long was scorched and blackened by the heat. Fortunately none of the Bollinger family happened to be on the porch at the time, and the only casualty was a pet squirrel that was in the tree when the bolt struck, and which was instantly killed. For a few seconds after the bolt struck, the Bollinger house and that of W. D. McGhee, which is located only a short distance away, seemed to be covered in a sheet of flame, and the air for a considerable distance around was filled with sparks. It was a remarkable and very unusual electrical display. Little Russell McGhee was standing on the front porch of his home, not more than 20 feet from the tree that was struck. That he was not in the least injured seems almost miraculous, as he was in the midst of a shower of sparks. He, like everybody else in the neighborhood, was thoroughly frightened, but soon recovered from his fright sufficiently to grieve over the loss of his pet squirrel.

### Artistic Beauty in Film

#### of South Seas

The "Island of Regeneration" which will be shown at the Deleo Theatre on Wednesday, July 14; matinee at 2 o'clock, two shows at night, 7:30 and 9 o'clock, is different from the average photo play and will long be remembered because of its artistic beauty and thrilling story. A burning ship, earthquake, volcano in eruption and a subterranean cave furnish some of the thrills of this film masterpiece. The story deals with a youth who was cast away on an island in the South Sea when a small boy and lived alone for 21 years. He had forgotten how to talk. A girl became a castaway on the same island and educated the youth. The story is written by the Rev. Cyrus Townsend Brady. The scenes of the island are unusual. Remember the day and date—Wednesday, July 14th.

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A party of our young folks motored to Caledonia Saturday eve.

Mr. Willis Bates of Amsterdam, N. Y., is the guest of Mr. T. E. Post and family this week.

"Price of sugar goes—" so use wasting type; you know which way it always goes.—Ez.



## You Owe It to Yourself

Birth, marriage, and the opening of the first bank account are the weightiest events in your lifetime. The opening of the bank account is a debt you owe to yourself; it means success and prosperity for you—not failure and despair.

We offer you every advantage in the way of systematic saving; \$1 will start you right.

**WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK**  
Potom, Missouri.

### Political Announcements

All announcements under this heading are made subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the August, 1920, primary election.

For Representative, JAMES P. WARD, of Irondale.

For County Judge—Second District, WILLIAM L. RAY, of Bellevue Township.

For County Treasurer, N. F. ROBINSON, of Potom.

For Prosecuting Attorney, PARKER M. BANTA, of Potom.

For Sheriff, FIRMEN L. SPARKS, of Potom.

For County Surveyor, R. E. HUTCHINGS, of Harmony Township.

For County Assessor, GILLIA FORTTELL, of Union Township.

JOHN E. ELLIS, of Caledonia.

CHARLES V. ALLEN, of Breton Township.

JOHN COMPTON, of Liberty Township.

### Administrators' Notice.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of W. B. Compton, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Washington County, Missouri, bearing date the 28th day of May, 1920. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if said claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the granting of letters on said estate, they shall be forever barred.

M. O. COMPTON, Administrator.

State of Missouri, County of Washington, ss. I, M. O. Compton, do hereby certify that M. O. Compton was granted letters of administration upon the estate of W. B. Compton, deceased, on the date above written. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court this 28th day of May, 1920.

[Seal] JAS. A. HENSON, Judge of the Probate Court.

### New Advertising Rates.

Display advertising to local customers, 20 cents per column inch; foreign and transit rates the same. Locals and reading notices, 75 cents per line, each insertion. Professional cards, \$15 per year. Administrator's or executor's first notices \$5.00. Final settlement notices, \$4.00. Bank statements, \$3.00. Obituaries, 1 cent a word. Memorials, \$1.00 for 100 words or less. Cards of thanks, 50 cents. (All of the last three strictly cash in advance.) Legal advertising at legal rates.

### NEW YORK LOSING AS PORT

Harbor and Railroad Strikes Send Shipping to Philadelphia and Baltimore.

New York.—Eighty per cent of New York city's export trade has been diverted to Philadelphia, Baltimore and other eastern ports by shippers desiring to avoid the congestion caused here by harbor and railroad strikers, according to estimates made by shipping men here.

Thousands of carloads of export freight have been switched to other cities because of railroad embargoes, it was stated.

Some shipping authorities declared permanent arrangements for the use of other ports would be made unless the tieup here is broken soon. A total of 37 cargo steamers ordinarily sailing from this port cleared from Philadelphia last week.

Preparation for Future Receptions. Carrollton, Ky.—Soon bank robbers will realize that all small town institutions have put in alarm signals and it will be better to rob in less than thirteen bank robberies in less than three months, in which last worth \$100,000 has been taken, has resulted in extra precautions. If any one touches a vault door here a big bell will alarm the town. If a daylight robbery is staged any one of the seven clerks can press a button and alarm the whole community.

More Power to the Tractor. Danville, Ky.—What the tractor has done for transportation was shown here when 40,000 shingles were hauled in one load. It was probably the largest load of shingles ever shipped except by boat or train.

Easier to Break 'Naps, Billa. Knoxville, Tenn.—Naps, instead of coin, are used as change in the small towns of East Tennessee. One storekeeper from Powell station, Tenn., says all his customers use eggs to make purchases. So great is the supply that in two days he gathered a total of 10,000. Eggs are being hauled to the municipal market in wagons, just as though they were potatoes. Only the wagon beds are well lined with straw and mud.

### FOR SALE—One pig, milk cow and one set of farm harness.

Apply at my place, 6 miles south of Richwoods, 5 miles north of Aptus. Patrick Emily, Richwoods, Mo.

### FOR SALE—6-room house and 15-acre lot in Old Mines. Apply to Frank Polhemus, Old Mines, Mo.

### HELP WANTED—Man and wife.

on my farm about ten miles west of Potom, near Lewis Bean's; wife to do cooking, man general farm work; steady work. Can also use a single man for cutting brush and clearing, and a carpenter for about a month. Address by mail or phone, J. W. Estes, Potom, Mo.

### FOR SALE—One J. I. Case steel separator, with automatic weigher, clover attachment, full equipment of bells; also a 10-roll J. I. Case corn shredder; both in first-class running order; apply to Lewis Bean, Latty, Mo.

### WANTED—Man and team or auto who can give bond to sell 137 Watkins home and farm products. Biggest concern of the kind in the world. \$1500 to \$5000 yearly income. Territory in this county open; write today to J. R. Watkins Co., Dept 114, Winona, Minn.

### Tiff and Lead Miners Wanted.

We want tiff and lead ore miners on the tract of land known as the Evans & Thurman tract, lying northeast of Potom, adjoining the Martin Higgins land. Will pay \$7.00 per ton for tiff at the mines and \$5.00 per ton delivered at the shipping platforms in Potom, and \$4.00 per ton for lead ore. This land is considered one of the best pieces of mining land in this section, tiff lodes ranging 6 and 8 feet thick. Miners will make no mistake in working on this land.

T. F. BLOUNT MINING CO., per T. F. Blount, Potom, Mo.

### Order of Publication.

State of Missouri, County of Washington, ss. In the Circuit Court, August Term, 1920.

William Strausser, plaintiff, vs. Ollie J. Strausser, defendant.

Now at this day comes the plaintiff herein, by his attorney, W. A. Cooper, and files his petition and affidavit, alleging, among other things, that defendant has absented himself from the bed and board of defendant for more than one year next before the filing of this petition; that defendant offered indignities to plaintiff such as to render his condition intolerable, and that he is not a resident of the State of Missouri, so that the ordinary process of law can not be served upon her within this state.

Whereupon it is ordered by the undersigned clerk in vacation that said defendant be notified by publication that plaintiff has commenced a suit against her in this court, the object and general nature of which is an action for divorce; and that unless the said Ollie J. Strausser be and appear at this court, at the next term thereof, to be begun and holden at the court house in the city of Potom, in said county, on the twenty-third day of August, next, and on or before the first day of said term, unless further time be granted by the court, answer or demur to the petition in said cause, the same will be taken as confessed, and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published, according to law, in the Potom Journal, a newspaper published in said County of Washington, for four weeks successively, published at least once a week, the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the first day of said next August term of this court.

JOS. CRESSWELL, Circuit Clerk.

A true copy from the record. Witness my hand, and the seal of the Circuit Court of Washington County, this 29th day of June, 1920.

JOS. CRESSWELL, Circuit Clerk.

Will Reunite Family. Alexandria, Ind.—Through a will left by his grandfather, Frank Coffman, an Alexandria carpenter, was united with members of his family the other day after twenty-five years' separation. The Coffman family settled in West Virginia and then moved North. Coffman becoming separated from his relatives. The will gave the names of his brothers.